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ANCHORAGE MAN SENTENCED TO EIGHT YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARM

Anchorage, Alaska – United States Attorney Nelson P. Cohen announced today, December 14, 2007, that Carl Richard Bowie, Jr., a resident of Anchorage, Alaska, was sentenced in federal court in Anchorage to 96 months for his conviction of being a felon in possession of a firearm.

United States District Court Judge Timothy M. Burgess imposed the sentence on Bowie, age 42, of 825 D Street, Anchorage.

According to information presented to the court by Special Assistant United States Attorney Erin White, on March 8, 2007, Bowie, who is a convicted felon, gave a Vulcan V10-45 (MAC-10) submachine gun to another convicted felon, who then sold it to a government informant. At the same time, Bowie also carried a Glock 30 handgun, which police seized during a subsequent traffic stop.

Prior to imposing sentence, Judge Burgess noted the defendant's lengthy criminal history, numerous past opportunities for rehabilitation, and a need to protect the public.

Mr. Cohen commended the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Safe Streets Task Force and the Anchorage Police Department for the investigation leading to the successful prosecution of Bowie. SAUSA White is one of two prosecutors in the U.S. Attorney's Office who are funded by the Municipality of Anchorage for the purpose of prosecuting gang-related and violent crime cases.

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